

## 2011 Lightning Fatalities

In 2011, there were 26 lightning fatalities, 11 less than the 2010 total of 37. The 2010 number is well below the 10-year average of 39 fatalities. This year, Missouri and Utah took that dubious honor of most victims with 3 fatalities each, followed by Arizona, Michigan, and New Jersey with 2 lightning deaths each. As in 2010, the most dangerous place to be was outside doing chores, walking or another individual activity where 15 people died (58%). The next most dangerous place was under a tree with 3 deaths (12%). Almost 3 times as many males, 19 (73%), as females, 7 (27%), were killed by lightning. The hardest hit age range was adults aged 40-59 with 15 deaths, (58%).

### 2011 Lightning Fatalities by State and Location

State	BF	BO	CA	EQ	GF	IW	OT	OU	TE	UT	Total
AR (Arkansas)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
AZ (Arizona)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2
CO (Colorado)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
FL (Florida)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
GU (Guam)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
KS (Kansas)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
LA (Louisiana)	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
MI (Michigan)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
MO (Missouri)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
MS (Mississippi)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
MT (Montana)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
NC (North Carolina)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
NJ (New Jersey)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
OH (Ohio)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
PA (Pennsylvania)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
SC (South Carolina)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
SD (South Dakota)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
UT (Utah)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3
WI (Wisconsin)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
<b>Total</b>	1	0	1	1	1	2	2	15	0	3	26
<b>Percent</b>	3.85	0.00	3.85	3.85	3.85	7.69	7.69	57.69	0.00	11.54	

#### Legend

BF -	Ball Field
BO -	Boating
CA -	Camping
EQ -	Heavy Equipment/Construction
GF -	Golfing
IW -	In Water
OT -	Other
OU -	Outside/Open Areas
TE -	Telephone
UT -	Under Tree

### 2011 Lightning Fatalities by Age and Gender

	Female	Male	Unknown	Total	Percent
0 to 9	0	0	0	0	0.00
10 to 19	1	2	0	3	11.54
20 to 29	1	2	0	3	11.54
30 to 39	0	1	0	1	3.85
40 to 49	0	6	0	6	23.08
50 to 59	2	7	0	9	34.62
60 to 69	1	0	0	1	3.85
70 to 79	1	1	0	2	7.69
80 to 89	0	0	0	0	0.00
90 to --	0	0	0	0	0.00
Unknown	1	0	0	1	3.85
<b>Total</b>	7	19	0	26	
<b>Percent</b>	26.92	73.08	0.00		